addressed to myself. I hope to be able, some time or other to reply to them: the more the subjects discussed in a spirit of candour, courtesy, and charity, the more will it commend itself to the judgment, heart, and conscience of all wise and good men. It is however a deep mystery, as well as dark chapter, in the history of the human mind, how so many professed disciples of the merciful Redeemer of our world, can be so blinded by prejudice and interest to the full enormity of this gigantic sin.

Again apologizing for so long neglecting your letter and expressing a hope that I shall hear from you again

I remain,

My Dear Brother in Christ

Yours most affectionately

J A James

The Revd A A Phelps.

the facts of the Oneida Institute, and naturally enough deprecated the publication alluded to.

In justice to him and his colleague, I must say, that this disavowal is correct. True he did not give that fullness of information which would place Oneida, and its eminent and devoted President in their true position, before the British Public: the error consisted not of telling any thing contrary to the truth, but of not telling the whole truth so fully as they might have done. No one who had the opportunity of conversing with them privately and interrogating them on the subject, need to have been ignorant of some things stated by you, but written to fix the public eye intently upon Oberlin, they certainly placed Oneida, too much in distant shadow.

The name of President Green and more than his name, is well known here; and much do I love and revere him for his labours and his sufferings in the cause of your slave population. May God preserve his life health, labours and usefulness.

I for one am glad of the separation from Lloyd Garrison, whose peculiarities on other subjects, are an obstacle in the way of his success as an abolitionist. It is as we think a most unhappy circumstance that emancipation, and heresy should be thus associated in public estimation. The formation of a new Society, having no connexion with Garrison, will [illegible] an opportunity to many who stood aloof before, to join the cause, without fear of having their orthodoxy suspected.

In spite of these obstacles, the cause must advance, and is advancing. You have perhaps read, or heard of Mr Edge's letters personally to inspect the condition of our then partially emancipated slaves, and to prepare evidence to accelerate their full and final abolition of slavery. He is now about to visit the United States to confer with Abolitionists there, and assist by his counsels the progress of the cause. You can introduce him by note to President Green.

I now come to the subject of your communication, on which, for want of time, I must be more brief than I could otherwise desire. With many thanks for its interesting details, I mingle my regret that I had not received it before. It reached me not long ~~after~~ before Messrs Dawes and Keep had finished their mission to this country, and were preparing to embark: so that I had only just time to apprise them that I had received a document from America, I forget whether I mentioned your name, expressive of some surprise that, in their public statements, they had been too exclusive of other Institutions, and at the same time apprising them, of Captain Stuart's intention to incorporate a part of it in a pamphlet which he was preparing at Bristol for publication. To this a lengthy note was returned by Mr Keep, written amidst the bustle of packing up, and another sent ashore by the Pilot, written on board the Vessel; in both which he disavowed a total suppression of

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Birmingham March 5th 1841

My Dear Sir

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It is with much regret, and some self-reproach, that I look at the date of your long and interesting communication. It ought to have been answered before, and would have been, had not my hands, and head, and heart been already over-full. My occupations as preacher, pastor, and author, are incessant and urgent; and in addition my anxieties, sorrows and prospects as a husband, have been for some months, and still are most painful. I am watching the waning lamp of my tabernacle, and which to all human probability must soon be extinguished. This will be sufficient to account for my long delay, and which perhaps would have been still longer, had not my valued friend, Mr Joseph Sturge, asked me for a few notes of introduction to some friends in America, when your name occurred to me as one, who would like to know him, and whom he also would wish to be acquainted with.

Mr Sturge has already made vast sacrifices in the great cause of the Abolition of Slavery, having some few years since left all the comforts of an elegant home, to reside a few months, or rather to travel, through the West India Islands